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EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Aaron Karas (3)
(2) Examiner Chu (4)

Date of interview: January 18, 2001

Type: ☒ Telephonic ☐ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☐ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached with respect to some or all of the claims in question. ☒ was not reached.

Claims discussed: 21 and 22

Identification of prior art discussed: EP 410,760 (same as U.S. 5,143,816) and U.S. 4,132,715

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

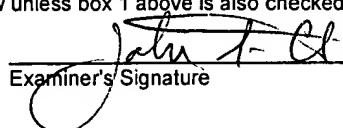
Applicants proposed draft claims 21 and 22. It appeared that claim 21 would require further consideration due to the Markush language changing the scope to language not considered at the time of the Final rejection. While claim 22 would overcome the 112 rejection pending the case. Upon receipt of the written response, the case will be reviewed in light of the newly submitted amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

- ☒ 1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph below has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW (e.g., items 1-7 of the second page of this form). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, then applicant is given one month from this interview date to provide a statement of the substance of the interview.

- ☐ 2. Since the examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the substance of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.


Examiner's Signature